Troop 286 Committee Meeting

Monday, Nov. 5, 2012, 7:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Chair's Report

Scoutmaster's Report - Selection of SPL and APL- 3 scouts that went to White Buffalo, all eligible. Last year's SPL and APL said it would be better to have 2 APL. Election by boys chose 2 APL. Mark suggested that a change be made at the Chartering Dinner to switch APL, so that all boys that went to White Buffalo would be able to hold an APL position this year.

Add to guidelines- if scout is approved to go White Buffalo, this doesn't mean the scout will necessarily be elected to a position.

A donation in the memory of Jimmy Peters is being made to our troop by his mother. Mark asked for suggestions from the Committee as to how donation is spent. Suggestions were made to keep for Camperships, or supplies. Polly made a suggestion to have an annual fundraiser or some remembrance plak to keep his memory alive.

Summer Camp- a suggestion was made to have our Troop go with Troop 229 to Camp Merz, as Jason, Mark and Dan will not be going to summer camp (due to Summit Jamboree). Currently we are looking for adults to go from both troops. Summer camp is scheduled for July 7-12th.

Treasurer's Report - \$ in last month was mostly from popcorn. Campsite fees are \$44.80 over budget at the moment. Jason will look at cabins that were reserved (this was done back in August) to determine where discrepancy may come from.

Popcorn 2012 – Dan Dahlke reported that the Troop made Bonus!!! 30 scouts sold popcorn, with over \$23,037 total. With the bonus plan approved, \$690 given back to the Scouts. \$ will go into Scout accounts when received from council. Gift cards will be ordered, with extra \$ from gift cards to go to troop to purchase supplies and items for campouts. There was no loose popcorn left at the end of the sale. All returned popcorn made full cases that could be returned. All popcorn is accounted for. Dan asked for any other suggestions to continue to improve popcorn sales for the future.

Big thanks to Dan and Maureen for all their hard work and efforts to make our popcorn sale this year a huge success!!

Suggestions made- for a popcorn focus group, ask council for more \$10 items, or even items for less, tell boys how much can be made, how much can go into Scout accounts, encourage the boys.

Jason asked for breakdown of items sold, and comparisons from year to year.

Quartermaster's Report – Patrol box was a big success, but now we need storage space. Ken would like to re-organize the equipment and the storage areas/ cabinets. We are out of storage space for all the items we have. Some lesser used pieces may go for storage in the basement. Quartermaster should have a key for the church, to have access to equipment at a time that is convenient for the Quartermaster and not during scout meetings. There is a missing key?

Program Report

- o 25 mi. Bike Hike, 10 mi. Hike, 11/10
- o Lasertron Lockin, 12/8 (evening of 12/7)

Training

- o Youth Protection, 11/12 at BCC. 6:30
- John Kerwin reported that the Youth training went well last weekend. For future- make sure boys know that lunch is provided, may need more information next year for participants before they arrive.

Other Committee Member Reports

CONTINUING BUSINESS

o White Buffalo Campership Standards – changes were reviewed. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- Clothing Drive for Brighton Church- asking all people who use the building. Jason would like to put something together for the Troop to collect clothing and donate to BCC. Appropriate for holiday season.
- Publicity- should have someone in our Troop to contact newspapers about what our scouts are accomplishing- for Scout activities, Eagle scout projects. Looking for ideas for people to head this. (Troop PR person?)
- website came up for renewal- at the cost of \$12.42- approved. Eric Nagel took care of this.

CONCLUSION